



English Cop: "Speed-trap Cameras are Stupid"

A former high-ranking police officer in England has complained that photo radar speed cameras are stupid and are primarily used to raise revenue rather than promote safety. Angry drivers now have a way to defeat the cameras and avoid tickets they consider to be unfair.

MANCHESTER, U.K. ([PRWEB](#)) October 31, 2004 -- Photo radar cameras are used to raise revenue, not to improve traffic safety, according to a former English police officer quoted in a recent U.K. news article.

Neil Longsdon, a former chief inspector who was in command of the Greater Manchester Police motorway group in England, called the use of the speed-trap cameras "stupid."

He complained to Manchester Online that police are supposed to prove the speeding offence by all reasonable doubt, and to use discretion and commonsense when deciding to give a traffic citation.

"Now I believe those basic principles are being ignored in pursuit of revenue," said Longsdon in the news article.

The "photo cop" speed cameras are used around the world and have become a major source of new revenue for cash-strapped municipalities trying to find ways to make ends meet. The cameras take a photo of a vehicle detected to be moving at a speed at or above the limit set in the unit as breaking the law.

Often motorists complain that the camera took a picture of their vehicle when they were not speeding, or when they were only a mile or two over the limit.

It is too costly and time-consuming to fight the tickets. Rather than spend a day in court in a stressful situation, and to avoid the expense of a defense attorney, virtually all motorists who receive a photo radar ticket by mail simply pay the fine, because it is usually the lowest cost solution. Now there is a way for motorists to prevent such tickets in the future.

PhotoBlocker (tm) sprayed on a license plate causes a reflection when speed camera units take a picture, which prevents the numbers on the plate from being read. Recently a major front-page story in the Washington Post (http://phantomplate.com/print_washingtonpost.htm) explained that test after test from around the world have shown PhotoBlocker (tm) to work effectively.

(Please see actual attached photo taken from a photo radar unit clearly showing that the registration plate cannot be identified because of the flash on the plate.)

"When they can't read the number on the plate they can't send you a ticket," said Joe Scott, marketing director for PhantomPlate, Inc., the firm that makes PhotoBlocker (tm). He was speaking from the company's international headquarters in Washington, D.C.

PhotoBlocker (tm) is inexpensive and simple to use. It comes in an aerosol can and is sprayed on your license plate. The formula is a patent pending high gloss, clear finish, designed to defeat cameras that use flash. It causes no distortion and is undetectable to the naked eye. At least 95 percent of photo enforcement cameras use flash.



One spray can is enough for three or four U.S. or Canadian plates and two or three Australian or European plates. A single ticket can easily cost \$100 or more, so this very small expense can bring tremendous savings from the expense of unfair or improperly issued traffic tickets.

Numerous media organizations have conducted independent tests on the effectiveness of the PhotoBlocker (tm) spray.

PhotoBlocker (tm) has been featured on NBC, CBS, ABC News, Tech TV, Norwegian TV, Dutch TV, Washington Times, UK's Daily Mail and many, many more. There are conclusive tests conducted by the Denver Police Department, Dutch Police, Fox News, Swedish TV, Australian TV, British TV and thousands of satisfied customers in six continents, said Scott.

The company offers a money-back guaranty, but to date less than one half of one percent of all customers have requested a refund. Testimonials from happy customers abound on the company's website at www.PhantomPlate.com.

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